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SERVICE FEE MEMORANDUM

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TO: Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Staff
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FROM: Charles Puckett, Program Administrator
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RE: Professional Fee for Personalized Assistive Listening Devices (ALD's)

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation has developed a professional fee for personalized wireless assistive listening devices (includes 3 fittings and/or adjustments) recommended by audiologist. Examples of some personalized wireless ALD's are: Oticon's Streamer, Phonak's iCom or SmartLink or MicroLink, Siemens' TEK. These devices are unique in that they can be specifically tailored to the consumer's communication demands of the job and often require training to learn how and when to use the system to enhance communication on the job. DHHS Branch approval is required to purchase a personalized wireless ALD. For this approval, send audiological report, hearing aid evaluation, communication assessment, the ALD recommendation. **If the product is not included on OVR's price list, please provide the** manufacturer's price list for the ALD to the Program Administrator of Hard of Hearing/Late Deafened Services in Central Office. Also, you must indicate on the description line of the authorization that approval was obtained. Counselors can use the Rehabilitation Technology Budget 6730 for the purchase of ALD's.

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| Code | Procedure | Allowable Rate |
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| 00110 | Traditional ALD's (i.e. Phonic Ear, Comtek, William Sounds) do not require an exception. These traditional ALD's can be purchased directly from technology vendors and do not require an audiologist to order and/or fit the ALD. No professional fee with traditional ALD's. | Vendor's Cost Exp Cat 92E BUN 6730 |
| 00111 | EXCEPTION***Requires DHHS Branch approval *** <u>ONLY</u> if ALD is not listed or the cost is more on the OVR price list Personalized Wireless ALD - TRANSMITTER & RECEIVER(i.e. MicroLink, TEK, Streamer, iCom, etc.) | By Report Exp Cat 92E BUN 6730 |
| 00112 | Audio boots/shoes | \$ 40.00 Exp Cat 92E BUN 6730 |
| 00113 | Professional Fee for monaural or binaural fitting and/or adjustments of personalized wireless assistive listening device [includes new or retro fitting, adjustments, counseling, and 2 follow up visits (total of 3 visits).] | \$110.00 Exp cat 24G BUN caseload |